



## WHY CHOOSE TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE?

Temple's School of Podiatric Medicine (TUSPM) in Philadelphia is one of nine schools of its kind in the nation, and the only one in the Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania tristate area.

With leading faculty experts and a focus on practical, real-world training, the school positions students to succeed before they graduate.

- TUSPM is a part of a major university, with a comprehensive allopathic Health Sciences Center and major healthcare system, which owns and operates four hospitals.
- First-year students gain clinical experience.
- With faculty supervision, third-year students begin treating some of the 35,000 annual patient visits at our Foot and Ankle Institute.
- On-campus surgical and clinical skills labs, encourage hands-on training in surgical techniques and clinical competencies.

- Temple's Diabetes Center for Excellence is a leading facility that offers additional opportunities to treat patients.
- The Foot and Ankle Institute includes the Leonard S. Abrams Center for Advanced Wound Healing.
- Temple is the only school of podiatric medicine with a fully certified on-campus Ambulatory Surgical Center.
- Students have access to Temple University's facilities, services and activities, including libraries, computer labs, and athletic and cultural events.
- TUSPM has one of the largest podiatric medical libraries in the U.S.

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# ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## About the class of 2021

- 555 applicants for 100 seats
- 213 accepted
- 78% biology majors, 12% other science majors, 10% other majors
- Mean cumulative GPA 3.3 and mean science GPA 3.15
- Mean cumulative MCAT 499

## What we consider

- Competitiveness of undergraduate institution
- Levels of difficulty of classes taken
- Semester course load
- Extracurricular activities
- Part- or full-time employment while enrolled
- Academic improvement
- Previous exposure to and experience in the podiatric medical profession

## Tuition

- \$38,484: in-state
- \$40,210: out-of-state
- \$18,000: average cost of living for first and second-year students
- \$19,500: average cost of living for third and fourth-year students

## Affordability

- 90% of students receive financial aid
- Three basic types of financial aid
  - Loans, such as federal Direct Student Loans and Direct Graduate Plus Loans, Health Professions Student Loans, federal Perkins Loans and private loans

- Scholarships based on academic performance, financial need and community service
  - ♦ 60+ scholarships available to current students totaling \$800,000 annually
  - ♦ Approximately \$500,000 awarded in merit scholarships for incoming students based on academic achievement
- Federal Work Study is part-time employment for students with financial need

## Housing

- On-campus apartment complex with 72 furnished units
- Housing Office assists with locating off-campus housing: [www.temple.edu/housing/offcampus](http://www.temple.edu/housing/offcampus)

## Opportunities

### Research

Current faculty and student research areas include peripheral vascular disease, neuropathy in diabetes, wound healing, techniques of bone fixation, various aspects of gait analysis and research in basic biomedical sciences

### Residency

The Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine has an impressive record of placing graduates into the most prestigious residency programs across the country. Many complete their residencies within the Temple University Health system. Over the past three years, graduates have been placed in 99 different residency programs in 27 states.

## Income expectations as a podiatric physician

The 2013 survey results conducted by American Podiatric Medical Association indicates a mean salary of \$175,369 for podiatric physicians practicing in various settings, including but not limited to hospital, multi-specialty, solo practitioner and military. The chart below focuses on practice owners.

## Average income of podiatric physicians working full time

2013 Net Income by Primary Practice Arrangement	Percentage of Podiatrists Practice Owners
Less than \$100,000	21.4%
\$100,000–\$174,999	33.3%
\$175,000–\$249,999	21.4%
\$250,000–\$324,999	13.1%
More than \$325,000	10.7%
Mean	\$186,071
Median	\$160,00

*Please note that computer rounding has caused the percentage to add to less than 100%.*

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## Admissions process

- Submit application to our centralized service, AACPMAS\*, at [aacpmas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login](http://aacpmas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login). Application cycle begins in August. The deadline for each entering class is June 30. Priority consideration deadline is March 1.
  - Requirements
    - Transcripts: Official transcripts of all completed coursework. All transcripts need to be sent to the AACPMAS for verification.
    - Letters of recommendation: two letters of evaluation from science faculty, or one pre-professional committee letter and one from a podiatric physician (DPM). Letters of recommendation are facilitated by Interfolio and VirtualEvals or may be directly submitted by source to TUSPM.
    - MCAT scores.
    - An in-person interview is required. TUSPM conducts interviews twice a week, during which applicants receive a tour of the facilities and meet current students.
- \* *Contact TUSPM at 215-625-5451 with questions you might have.*

## Academic requirements

- Minimum of 90 semester hours of undergraduate education with credits in general or inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics (all must be 8 semester hours and include lab), as well as 6 credit hours of English
- Additional courses recommended, but not required are anatomy, embryology, histology, evolution, cell biology, genetics, biochemistry, and physiology